



National Science Foundation

Rotational Vacancies

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POSITIONS WILL BE FILLED ON A ONE OR TWO YEAR VISITING SCIENTIST APPOINTMENT, INTERGOVERNMENTAL PERSONNEL ACT (IPA) ASSIGNMENT BASIS, OR FEDERAL TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT.

The National Science Foundation is seeking a qualified candidate for the position of Program Director for Instrumentation for Materials Research within the Division of Materials Research, Directorate for Mathematical and Physical Sciences, Arlington, VA.

The Division of Materials Research (DMR) supports a wide range of programs that address fundamental phenomena in materials, materials synthesis and processing, structure and composition, properties and performance, and materials education. DMR supports individual investigators, groups, centers, national facilities, and instrumentation. Individual investigator and group proposals do not have to be confined or targeted to a specific program; division staff work to facilitate the co-review and co-funding of highly meritorious proposals across program, division, or directorate boundaries as appropriate. More information about the Division and its programs can be found on the DMR website at www.nsf.gov/mps/divisions/dmr/start.htm.

The ***Instrumentation for Materials Research Program*** supports the acquisition and/or development of research instruments that will provide new capability and/or advance current capability to: (1) discover fundamental phenomena in materials; (2) synthesize, process, and/or characterize the composition, structure, properties, and performance of materials; and (3) improve the quality, expand the scope, and foster and enable the integration of research and education in research-intensive environments.

Qualifications required: ***Applicants must possess a Ph.D. or equivalent experience in materials research or a closely related field. In addition, six or more years of successful research, research administration, and/or managerial experience pertinent to the program is required. Familiarity with a broad spectrum of the materials research community and demonstrated administrative ability are desired.***

The appointee to this position is expected to work with the materials community to broaden the diversity of participants in NSF programs, and to integrate research and education in the materials field. Applications for these positions from members of groups under-represented in science and engineering are strongly encouraged.

This position will be filled on a one or two year Visiting Scientist Appointment, under the terms of the Intergovernmental Personnel Act (IPA), or as a Federal Temporary Appointment. Temporary and Visiting Scientist appointments will be made under the Excepted Authority of the NSF Act with a current salary range of \$81,602 - \$127,168, depending on qualifications and experience. For Visiting Scientist appointments, individuals are in a non-pay leave status from the home institution and are appointed to NSF's payroll as a Federal employee. NSF withholds FICA and provides reimbursement for fringe benefits. For Federal temporary appointments of more than one year, the usual civil service benefits (retirement, health and life insurance) are applicable. For IPA assignments, the individual remains an employee on the payroll of the institution and the institution continues to administer pay and benefits. NSF reimburses the institution for NSF's negotiated share of the costs. Individuals eligible for an IPA assignment include employees of State and local government agencies, institutions of higher education, Indian tribal governments, federally funded research and development centers and qualified

nonprofit organizations. For more information regarding Visiting Scientist appointments or IPA assignments, visit our website at www.nsf.gov/jobs.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: As Program Director, directs the implementation, review, funding, post-award management, and evaluation of the program and contributes to the intellectual integration with other programs supported by the Division. Designs and implements the proposal review and evaluation process for relevant proposals. Selects well qualified individuals to provide objective reviews on proposals either as individuals or as members of a panel. Conducts final review of proposals and evaluations, and recommends acceptance or declination. Manages and monitors on-going grants, contracts, interagency and cooperative agreements to ensure fulfillment of commitments to NSF. Evaluates progress of awards through review and evaluation of reports and publications submitted by awardees and/or meetings at NSF and during site visits. Contributes to the responsibility for establishing goals and objectives, initiating new program thrusts and phasing out projects. Recommends new or revised policies and plans in scientific, fiscal, and administrative matters to improve the activities and management of the Program.

HOW TO APPLY: Applications may be transmitted electronically to rotator@nsf.gov. You may also submit a resume or any application of your choice to the National Science Foundation, Division of Human Resource Management, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230, Attn: E20040014-Rotator. In addition, you are encouraged to submit a narrative statement that addresses your background and/or experience related to the Program of your interest. You are asked to complete and submit the attached Applicant Survey form. Submission of this form is voluntary and will not affect your application for employment (the information is used for statistical purposes). Telephone inquiries may be referred to Maria Sutton at (703) 292-4364. Technical inquiries may be referred to Thomas Weber, Division Director, at (703) 292-4915 or W. Lance Haworth, Executive Officer, at (703) 292-4916. Hearing impaired individuals may call TDD (703) 292-8044.

The National Science Foundation provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities on a case-by-case basis. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the point of contact listed on this vacancy announcement.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
APPLICANT SURVEY

OMB No. 3145-0096
Expiration: 7/31/2005

Vacancy Ann. #: _____ Position Status (temporary/permanent): _____

Position Title/Series/Grade: _____

INSTRUCTIONS

Your completion of this form will be appreciated. Submission of this Information is voluntary and it will have no effect on the processing of your application. The data collected will be used only for statistical purposes to ensure that agency personnel practices meet the requirements of Federal law. Pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.5(b), an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to an information collection unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The OMB control number for this collection is 3145-0096. NSF estimates that each respondent should take about 3 minutes to complete this survey, including time to read the instructions. You may have comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this survey, including suggestions for reducing this burden. If so, please send them to NSF Reports Clearance Officer, Division of Administrative Services, NSF, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA. 22230.

PRIVACY ACT INFORMATION

GENERAL - This information is provided pursuant to Public Law 93-579 (Privacy Act of 1974), December 31, 1974, for individuals completing Federal records and forms that solicit personal information.

AUTHORITY - Section 7201 of title 5 of the U.S. Code and Section 2000e-16 of title 42 of the U.S. Code.

PURPOSE AND ROUTINE USES

The information is used for research and for a Federal Equal Opportunity Recruitment Program (FEORP) to help insure that agency personnel practices meet the requirements of Federal law. Address questions concerning this form and its uses to the Privacy Act Officer, National Science Foundation, Arlington, VA 22230.

1. Today's Date: _____ 2. Year of Birth: _____

3. How did you learn about the particular position for which you are applying? (Circle appropriate number.)

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| 01 - Newspaper (specify) _____ | 10 - Federal, State or local job information center |
| 02 - Contact with NSF Personnel Office
(Agency Bulletin Board or other Announcement) | 11 - State vocational rehabilitation agency or
Veterans Administration |
| 03 - NSF-initiated personal contact | 12 - State employment office |
| 04 - Science Magazine, or other professional journal or magazine
(specify) _____ | 13 - School or college counselor or other official |
| 05 - Affirmative Action Register | 14 - Private job Information service |
| 06 - Attendance at conference, meeting or job fair
(specify) _____ | 15 - Private employment service |
| 07 - NSF recruitment at school or college | 16 - Friend or relative working at NSF |
| 08 - Colleague referral | 17 - Friend or relative not working at NSF |
| 09 - NSF Bulletin | 18 - NSF website |
| | 19 - Internet or other website |
| | 20 - Other (specify) _____ |

4. Select the ethnic category with which you most closely identify:

- A. **Hispanic or Latino.** A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.
- B. **Not Hispanic or Latino.**

5. Select one or more racial category with which you most closely identify:

- A. **American Indian or Alaska Native.** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.
- B. **Asian.** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.
- C. **Black or African American.** A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.
- D. **Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander.** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
- E. **White.** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

6. Sex (Circle the appropriate letter.) F - Female M - Male

7. Please provide Information on your disability status by circling the appropriate category below:

1. I do not have a disability; 2. Hearing impairment; 3. Vision impairment; 4. Missing extremities; 5. Partial paralysis;
6. Complete paralysis; 7. Convulsive disorder; 8. Mental retardation; 9. Mental or emotional illness; 10. Severe distortion of limbs
and/or spine; 11. I have a disability but it is not listed.

FOR AGENCY USE

Agency Code: _____

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